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Application of:

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For:

APPARATUS, AND ASSOCIATED METHOD, FOR ALLOCATING POWER

LEVELS OF BEST EFFORT COMMUNICATION SIGNALS IN A CDMA

COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

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In response to the Office action dated 30 July 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.





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Inventors: Giridhar D. Mandyam, et al.

Title: APPARATUS, AND ASSOCIATED METHOD, FOR ALLOCATING POWER LEVELS OF BEST-EFFORT

COMMUNICATION SIGNALS IN A CDMA COMMUNICATION

**SYSTEM** 

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